# The Center for Educational Performance and Information does!

The Center for Educational Performance and Information (CEPI) collects and reports data about the performance of Michigan's K-12 public schools and students. Our initiatives in data collection and reporting facilitate school districts' compliance with the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 and the Michigan Department of Education's accreditation plan, Education YES! We also provide unprecedented access to information about Michigan's schools for parents, educators, and policymakers via the CEPI Web site at www.michigan.gov/cepi.

HAVE ALL THE FACTS ABOUT YOUR SCHOOL DISTRICT?

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## What Data Does CEPI Collect?

State and federal laws require Michigan's K-12 public schools to collect and submit data about students, personnel, and individual schools. Districts submit their data to CEPI, and CEPI stores that data in an electronic warehouse. Some of the data that are required by the state and federal government include:

- Individual student data: racial/ethnic data, program participation, performance scores (e.g., MEAP, ACT, SAT), etc.
- Individual personnel data: credential license number, highest education level, etc.
- Building-level data: general contact information, financial data, school safety practices, incidences of crime, etc.

These data are used to determine state aid payments, adequate yearly progress, accreditation, a teacher's qualifications, and what constitutes a "safe school," just to name a few.

In regard to individual student and personnel data, CEPI has established secured levels of access to the data to ensure security and confidentiality. Personally identifiable information is protected by federal statute from public disclosure and data identifying students by name will not be released by CEPI.

"Michigan [is] ahead of the curve in implementing quality data systems."

Dane Linn, Director of the Education Policy Studies Division at the National Governors Association.

## What Resources Does CEPI Provide?

#### MI School Info Online

MI School Info Online was launched in the fall of 2001 by the state of Michigan and uses data provided by CEPI. School contact information, student enrollment figures, student/teacher ratios, graduation rates, MEAP scores and school maps are available at this site. You can link to MI School Info Online from CEPI's Web site at www.michigan.gov/cepi.

## Standard & Poor's School Evaluation Services

CEPI manages the State of Michigan's contract with Standard & Poor's School Evaluation Services (SES). The SES provides objective, comprehensive, and comparative evaluations of the fiscal, academic, and operational performance of Michigan's public school districts. The SES uses data provided primarily by CEPI. Michigan was the first state to participate in this service, which was launched nationwide in May 2001. Visit the SES Web site at www.ses.standardandpoors.com.

## What Reports Does CEPI Provide?

Reports such as Michigan's graduation/dropout rates are available on the CEPI Web site. Using an electronic data warehouse, CEPI also will be able to provide specialized queries and analyses for any citizen to make informed decisions about our schools and students. CEPI also provides links to other federal and national reports, such as those produced by the U.S. Department of Education.

### Where Can I Find All This Information About Michigan's Schools?

You can find all this and more at CEPI's Web site at www.michigan.gov/cepi.

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